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**From:** STEPHEN SCHOONMAKER <SSCHOONMAKER@OPEN.ORG>  
**To:** A16.A16(KIDSTV)  
**Date:** 10/3/95 1:48pm  
**Subject:** Chairman Hundt's 7/27/95 Speech

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I have just read with interest Chairman Hundt's speech to the National Press Club regarding the impact of television on children. I believe the American people need to be heard from on this critical issue. I would like to gain your assistance to facilitate such communication.

I staff the city of Salem, Oregon's Human Rights Commission and the Social Services Board; both of these groups have identified youth and children issues as a critical focus for our community. I am certain they would be interested in pursuing a method for the FCC to hear from the Salem community.

Neither of these groups are comprised of lobbyists or lawyers. They are comprised of concerned citizens; people willing to make an effort to improve the quality of life in our community.

Salem is considered part of the Portland market for television. All major networks (ABC, NBC, CBS) and free over-the-air commercial TV (UPN, Fox, etc.) comes from Portland. Based on the suggestions given in Chairman Hundt's speech, I would like to know when all Portland broadcasters are going to go through their licensing or licensing renewal period.

Once the Commission and Board have met on this issue of FCC input, I am certain they will identify additional ways you can help us help you.

Thank you for your time. Please advise at your earliest convenience.

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**From:** Darren Roxburgh <dproxburg@tartarus.uwa.edu.au>  
**To:** A16.A16(kidstv)  
**Date:** 10/3/95 9:59am  
**Subject:** -Information Please ..

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To whom it may concern

Hi my name is Darren Roxburgh, I am a university student (I think you call it collage there) in Australia doing a study on children's television. I found the information on your home page on the internet very useful and have provided me with many avenues to investigate. I would however like more information relating to Australian children's television. What I would like to know is do you know of a similar organisation such as your in Australia (Perth particularly) Any assistance would be greatly appreciated.

I thank you in advance for your assistance

Yours Faithfully

Darren Roxburgh

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**From:** Clifford A. Gilchrest <cgilchre@pen.k12.va.us>  
**Date:** 10/3/95 10:29am  
**Subject:** children's programming

Dear FCC: My name is Rachael Gentry and I am twelve years old and go to Millboro Elementary, in Bath County, Virginia. I think the shows that are on these days aren't any good for children. Their parents shouldn't let them watch these shows.

There are really some bad shows on satellite like VH1 and MTV.

They are taking all of the children's educational programming off tv these days. The only thing on TV now is adult shows.

Today they only uphold adult rights and not childrens. The best thing for children to do is to go home and do homework and read all night.

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**From:** Dottie Gray <dgray@capcon.net>  
**To:** A16.A16(kidstv)  
**Date:** 10/3/95 9:27am  
**Subject:** Children's Television Act

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I was glad to learn that you are gathering public opinion on broadcasters and the Children's Television Act. As the parent of two preadolescents, I wish to protest the constant barrage of sex and vulgarity on television shows. In this era of the AIDS epidemic, to create the impression that casual sex is rampant and "cool" is very similar to advertising cigarettes on television...promoting something that can kill. The glorification of violence as a solution to problems is steadily eroding our society's stability. Television and movies should be held accountable for the strong influences they provide on young minds at their most receptive ages.

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please include more information on homosexuality,  
~~additionally~~ in broadcasting <sup>under</sup> the Children's Television Act.  
programming that educates youngsters on a ~~div~~  
diversity of lifestyles will create more tolerant adults  
in the future in our society.

thank you.  
"jenna"

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